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**SENATE RESOLUTION No. \_\_\_\_**

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**DIGEST OF INTRODUCED RESOLUTION**

A SENATE RESOLUTION calling on the Indiana Department of Education to report to the General Assembly, not later than January 1, 2013, on the compliance of school corporation governing bodies having single member electoral districts with the requirements under IC 20-23-8-8 that the districts be reapportioned and district boundaries changed, if necessary, following the 2010 federal decennial census.

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## SENATE RESOLUTION

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MADAM PRESIDENT:

I offer the following resolution and move its adoption:

A SENATE RESOLUTION calling on the Indiana Department of Education to report to the General Assembly, not later than January 1, 2013, on the compliance of school corporation governing bodies having single member electoral districts with the requirements under IC 20-23-8-8 that the districts be reapportioned and district boundaries changed, if necessary, following the 2010 federal decennial census.

*Whereas, IC 20-23-8-8 requires that the electoral districts of a school corporation governing body in which the members are elected solely by the voters of a single district be as near as practicable equal in population;*

*Whereas, IC 20-23-8-8 also requires that, in order to preserve the required population equality, the single member electoral districts of a school corporation governing body be reapportioned and their boundaries changed, if necessary, by resolution of the school corporation governing body before the election next following the effective date of a subsequent decennial census;*

*Whereas, It has come to the attention of the Indiana Senate that not all school corporation governing bodies are reapportioning their single member districts after each federal decennial census as IC 20-23-8-8 requires, and that, in at least one instance, a school corporation governing body has not adopted a plan for the board's electoral districts since 1964; and*

*Whereas, It has further come to the attention of the*



*Indiana Senate that, to the extent single member districts have not been reapportioned after each federal decennial census as IC 20-23-8-8 requires, those districts have, over time, become more and more unequal in population, and in some instances, the deviation between the single member districts is greater than 90%, a situation that raises concerns under the Equal Protection Clause of the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Indiana: Therefore,*

*Be it resolved by the Senate of the  
General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

1           SECTION 1. That the Indiana Senate calls on the Indiana  
2 Department of Education to report to the General Assembly, not later  
3 than January 1, 2013, on the compliance of school corporation  
4 governing bodies with the requirements of IC 20-23-8-8, following the  
5 2010 federal decennial census. The report must be submitted in an  
6 electronic format under IC 5-14-6 to the Executive Director of the  
7 Legislative Services Agency and to the members of the Census Data  
8 Advisory Committee (as established under IC 2-5-19-2).

